

IN THE UNITED STATES  
PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

**PATENT APPLICATION**

Applicant: **Rafferty**

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Group Art Unit: **2615**

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Title: **HEARING AID THAT FACILITATES REMOVAL OF EARWAX AND  
TRAPPING OF MOISTURE**

Mail Stop Amendment  
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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED MAY 2, 2008**

In response to the Office Action dated May 2, 2008, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on August 2, 2008, please enter this response and reconsider the claims pending in the application for reasons discussed below. The Applicants believe that a two month extension of time fee is due in connection with this response. This fee will be paid via credit card. However, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge counsel's Deposit Account No. 50-3562 for any other fees, including additional extension of time fees or additional excess claim fees, required to make this response timely and acceptable to the Office.